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In re the Application of: Atsuhiro OTAKA et al.

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APPARATUS AND STORAGE SYSTEM FOR USING THE SAME

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCESSING REQUESTED

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated January 23, 2008.

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